St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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15th December , Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

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St Agnes Church Mass Times

Weekday Masses
9.00am, 10.00 am, 7.00pm
Saturday Vigil Mass
7.00pm
Sunday Masses
9.30am; 11.00 am (*Family)*; 12.30pm *(Choir)*; 7.00pm
Holy day Masses:-
7.00pm Vigil; 9.00am, 10.00am, 7.00pm

Confession Times

Saturdays from 10.30am to 11.00am & 6.45pm
Eve of First Fridays after 10.00am Mass & 6.45pm

COFFEE DOCK

The Coffee Dock in St Agnes Parish Centre is open Monday to Friday from 10.00am-12.00 noon. Call in any day to savour the friendly atmosphere, have a cuppa and some chat with neighbours and friends.

Last Weekend's Collections

1st Collection: € 2,322
St Vincent de Paul: € 11,110
Family Offering: € 1,355

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin" - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Deep End - Christmas is all around

The sights and sounds and smells of the season are all around us. Is there a particular sound that reminds you of Advent or Christmas – perhaps a carol you've always loved, or the sound of jingle bells? For many, the smell of mince pies or mulled wine are real signs of Christmas. Our towns and cities are filled with wonderful sights too: festive lights and decorations, trees decked out with tinsel and baubles, while our churches display Nativity scenes. Another common sight in the run-up to Christmas are the charity collectors we meet on the streets, singing carols or shaking buckets, urging us to give generously to a good cause. It is a feast for the senses, with these experiences often evoking warm Christmas memories and putting us in good humour.

Today is known as Gaudete Sunday – *Gaudete* means 'rejoice'. In our churches, the rose-coloured candle is lit on the Advent wreath to symbolise joy. Today's readings bring out this sense of joyful anticipation of the Lord's coming. The people of Jesus' time would have been familiar with Isaiah's talk of 'everlasting joy and gladness'. And Jesus tells us: 'Happy is the man who does not lose faith in me'. It is this personal encounter with Jesus that we celebrate at Christmas, God becoming man, the Good News announced by John the Baptist in today's Gospel. We have reason to be happy – let's make this Gaudete Sunday a real celebration *(Intercom)*

POOR BOX DONATIONS

The donations given recently to Alice Leahy TRUST Charity, Lorcan O'Toole Day Care Centre, St. Agnes' Mother and Toddler Group and CCMA (Community Centre for Music and the Arts) have all been received gratefully. The acknowledgement letters when received will be placed on the notice board. Thank you for making donations to the ***"Poor Box",*** which you'll find on the wall to the left as you enter the church.

Fr. Tony.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE IN CRUMLIN

This will be celebrated this ***Monday evening (16th Dec) at 7.30pm***, immediately after evening mass. Let us gather together as a community to prepare our hearts more worthily to receive Christ more fully into our lives this Christmas***. "Let us prepare a way for the Lord…"***

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 14th December

7:00pm **ANNIVERSARIES**
Gerrard Dunne 1st; Margaret Grant 1st
Linda Redmond 2nd; Olive Murphy 3rd
Michael Lyons 11th; Celia & Mick Dunne

Sunday 15th December

9:30am **BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**
Kathleen Kelly 95th

11:00am **MONTHS MIND**
Mary Geoghegan; Helena Comerford
RECENTLY DECEASED
Eileen (Nellie) McNamara in Australia
ANNIVERSARIES
Baby Eanna Coffey 3rd; Eileen Byrne 5th
Teresa Cox 8th, Ron Forte; Carmel Forte;
Noel Reilly
Deceased of Holbrook & Doyle Families
David Byrne; Nuala & Noel Quinn
Hughie & Manus Brogan
Mary Burton O'Sullivan
Ann Cooling; Andrew Keeley
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Paddy Brogan

12:30pm **MONTHS MIND**
Bernard Barton
ANNIVERSARIES
Tom Collins 2nd; Maureen & James Stokes
James & Teresa Clancy; Teresa O'Neill
Deceased of O'Callaghan & O'Farrell
Families
Lily Ward Anniv. & Birthday Rem.

7.00pm **Pro Populo**

Monday 16th December

9.00am Sarah Slevin 1st Anniv

7.00pm James O'Donoghue also wife Mary and Eileen Mulcahy

Tuesday 17th December

7.00pm Essie Bennett Months Mind

Wednesday 18th December

7.00pm Imelda Cullen 2nd Anniv

Thursday 19th December

7.00pm Leonie Kelly 1st Anniv also Mary Kelly 2nd Anniv.

Friday 20th December

9.00am John Brady

7.00pm Paddy Heary

Saturday 21st December

9.00am Karl Heartfield 8th Anniv.

May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful departed Rest In Peace. Amen

Our Recently Deceased

Maree Rooney, Cromwellsfort Rd
Florence Keane, Cherryfield Ave

We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this sad time.

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

St Agnes Parish Reader's Roster

If you cannot make your scheduled Reading please contact John Green

Saturday, 21st December 2019

7:00pm	John Green

Sunday, 22nd December 2019

9:30am	Frank Bergin
11:00am	Children's Mass
12:30pm	Richard Tobin
7:00pm	John Green

The Week Ahead…
Sunday 15th Dec - Saturday 21st Dec 2019

Sunday	3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)
Monday	Of the Day
Tuesday	Of the Day
Wednesday	St Flannan Bishop
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	St Fachanan, Bishop
Saturday	St Peter Canisus

Concert with Slovakian Carols and Shepherds' Play:

Performed by Slovak traditional dance group *FS Ostroha* will perform Slovakian Carols and Shepherds' Play in Rathmines Church on Sunday 15th December at 5.00pm - Admission Free.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The special collection last weekend for St Vincent de Paul raised the amount of **€11,110.**
On behalf of St Vincent de Paul we would like to thank you most sincerely for your generosity.

Padre Pio Prayer Group (St Pio)

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th December. Rosary 6.45pm Mass 7.00pm followed by Benediction & Blessing. **All Welcome.**

New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week.

Arts and Faith is a beautiful Advent resource which looks at this season of hope and preparation through the lens of sacred visual arts. The series celebrates how faith is revealed and deepened through great masterpieces. Access this and many other rich online Advent spiritual resources including online retreats and Advent music resources at: www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Christmas Dues

Envelopes are available at all the Church exits. Christmas dues help to support he Priests of the parish, of the Diocese including sick and retired priests. They are an important source of income for the Clergy. We thank you most sincerely for your

WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU WOULD PLEASE SWITCH OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE WHEN ENTERING THE CHURCH

Candle Care

Just a little reminder to take care when lighting candles. They carry with them a warning of danger. Particularly, would you please supervise children. Our shrines are ablaze with candles on certain days. We would not like you to be ablaze as well !!

Items to be included in the Newsletter should be left in the Parish Office no later than noon on the Wednesday before each weekend in the week of publication.

A Gospel Christmas at Gardiner Street

On Thursday December 19th at 8.00pm come to St. Francis Xavier's Church for a feel-good evening of soulful festive cheer and your favourite Christmas songs featuring Gardiner Street Gospel Choir & Band with Gardiner Street Youth Gospel Choir, Holly Berry and the Christmas Lites and The Secret Jazz Band. There will also be some Christmas cake and other tasty homemade treats to ensure everyone goes home merry and bright! Adults €15. Senior Citizens / Students €12. Under 12 Free Doors open at 7.30pm. Raising money on the night for the Peter McVerry Trust.
Bookings: http://tickets.thegsgc.com/thegsgc/a-gospel-christmas/discount/email Tickets also available at the front desk at Gardiner Street parish.

GOSPEL WORDSEARCH

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BLIND
LAME
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HAPPY
CLOTHES
PALACES
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SCRIPTURE
WOMEN

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

The Christmas Timetable Cards are available in the porch ways of the Church if you wish to take one. We invite you to join with us for our Celebrations.

St Agnes Parish Calendars 2020 are available at all exits. Please take one home.

St. Agnes's Church Mass Cards, The Intention of Donor will be remembered in all Masses on Christmas Day. Available in the Parish Office & Church Repository for €5 per pack of 10 cards.

St. Agnes Toddler Group

St. Agnes Toddler Group would like to thank Fr. Tony and all the parishioners who contributed towards the charity collection for the kind donation of €300.00 towards our group.

We will finish up for the Christmas season on Thursday 19th December and re-open on Thursday 9th January. We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Church Art Calendars 2020 are available in the Repository and the Parish office, price €1.50 each.

St. Agnes Parish - Family Mass Group

Meets every Wednesday in St. Agnes Parish Centre In the Dodder Room from 6pm – 7pm

New members always welcome

We prepare for Sunday Mass at 11am, through art and music. This is a great way for children to prepare for their First Holy Communion or become involved in a small friendly group of children. Children will be encouraged to read and take part in the Mass. All children welcome from Age 5